

## BOARD FOR GEOLOGISTS AND GEOPHYSICISTS

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### **BOARD MEETING**

Board for Geologists and Geophysicists Ronald Reagan Federal Building, Room 3053 411 West 4<sup>th</sup> Street Santa Ana, California 92701

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# **Approximate Time**

- **9:30** 1. Call meeting to order and Introduction of New Board Members (Sweeney) (Action)
- **9:31** 2. Roll call to establish quorum (Sweeney) (Action)
- **9:35** 3. Public comment on non-agenda items

This time is scheduled to provide the public with an opportunity to speak on non-agenda items. While the Board cannot take action at this time on non-agenda items, it can decide to place an item on the agenda for a future meeting. (If you wish to speak on a specific agenda item, please fill out a card provided for this purpose at the sign-in table and hand it to a member of staff, preferably prior to the meeting. Those wishing to speak on particular agenda items may do so when they are heard by the Board. The Board reserves the right to solicit additional public comment if the need arises for a particular agenda item.)

**9:50** 4. Election of Officers for Fiscal Year 2006-07, assignments to Committees and selection of Board Meeting dates and venues for 2007 (Sweeney) (Possible action)

## **CLOSED SESSION**

# [Pursuant to Government Code § 11126(a).]

- **10:00** 5. Discussion of personnel matters (Board President) (Possible action)
  - a. Performance Appraisal of Executive Officer
  - b. Continued Employment of Executive Officer (Ashby) (Possible action)
  - c. Appointment of Interim Executive Officer [(Ashby) Possible action if necessary, depending on the action on agenda item 5(b).]

### **OPEN SESSION**

- **10:30** 6. Report on results of Closed Session (Board President) (Possible action)
  - a. Search for a new Executive Officer [Possible action, if necessary, depending on the action on agenda item 5(b).]
- **10:40** 7. Approval of the minutes of the May 19, 2006 Board meeting (Board President) (Possible action)
- 10:50 8. Report from subcommittee on the review of the Department of Consumer Affairs' and the Board's policy on the length of time (residence time) that Board Minutes, Agendas, Recordings and Publications need to be maintained on the Board's website and/or held in the Board's headquarters (Schmidt/Yu) (Possible action)
- 11:05 9. Report from subcommittee on the review of the Board's Strategic Plan and Board Members Guidelines and Procedures documents (Blake/Schmidt) (Possible action)
- 11:10 10. Report from Board staff on the review of proposed new procedures for approving applicants for licensure via the section 7847 process (Board President) (Possible action)
- 11:20 11. Consideration of Moratorium on Approval of Comity Applications for licensure via Section 7847 (Black) (Possible action)
- **11:30** 12. Technical Advisory Committee Report (Mello) (Possible action)
  - a. Report on TAC meeting of July 28, 2006
  - b. Report on recommendations on potential Continuing Education requirements
  - c. Presentation to Board of draft Geomorphology licensure fact sheet
  - d. Announcement of TAC Chair and Vice Chair for FY 2006-07
- **11:35** 13. Legislative Report (Board President) (Possible action)
  - a. Senate Bill 1476 (Figueroa) Sunset Review
  - b. Other relevant legislation
- **11:45** 14. Executive Officer's report (Board President) (Possible action)
  - a. Budget Report (Lum)
  - b. Enforcement Report (Dunfield)
  - c. Final Examination Results from March 3, 2006 Administration (Hopper)
  - d. Examination and ASBOG information (Hopper)
  - e. Public Outreach and Website Update Report (Luksic/Doering)
  - f. Other information (Board President)
- **12:00** 15. Consideration of Administering licensing examinations twice a year (Board President) (Possible action)
- **12:15** 16. Announcements (Board President) (Possible action)
- **12:20** 17. Adjourn meeting (Board President) (Action)

# Mission Board for Geologists and Geophysicists

The mission of the Board for Geologists and Geophysicists (Board) is to continuously enhance the quality, value and availability of geological and geophysical services offered to the people of California. The Board was established in 1969 and is part of the Department of Consumer Affairs. As a semiautonomous regulatory agency, the Board sets its own policies, procedures, rules and regulations and operates under the administrative oversight of the Department of Consumer Affairs. The Board is responsible for enforcing the provisions of the Geologist and Geophysicist Act and its regulations (Bus. & Prof. Code sec. 7800 et seq.; Title 16 Calif. Code of Regs. Sec. 3000 et seq.). The Board carries out its responsibilities through examination, licensure and regulation to ensure that geologists and geophysicists are licensed to practice within the standards of the professions.

## **Public Meetings**

The Board regularly holds public meetings to obtain testimony and information from concerned and affected parties and to make decisions after considering the recommendations made by Board Members, Committee Members or by the Executive Officer. The Board will vote only on matters listed on the agenda. Agenda items are numbered for identification purposes only and will not necessarily be considered in the order listed. The Board may also give direction to the Executive Officer on any matter discussed during the meeting.

The Board's meetings are governed by the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act. The Board is required to (1) publish an agenda at least ten (10) days in advance of any meeting, (2) describe in the agenda specific items to be transacted or discussed, and (3) refuse to add an item to the agenda without an amended notice that is published ten (10) days prior to the meeting. In addition, the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act includes other specific provisions about how meetings are to be announced and conducted.

Board meetings are open to the public and are held in barrier free facilities in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. For additional information, requests, or assistance with any provisions of the Act, please contact the Board Office.

Information regarding Board meetings may be obtained by calling the Board office at (916) 263-2113. Copies of approved minutes may be obtained by writing the Board office at 2535 Capitol Oaks Drive, Suite 300A, Sacramento, CA 95833.

#### **Conduct of Meeting**

If you would like to comment on an item scheduled or to speak during the public comment period, please fill out a "Request to Speak" form and give it to a staff member. Each speaker is limited to a maximum of three minutes. The Chairperson may also set time limits for each speaker at the beginning of a public hearing. You are encouraged to submit written comments and detailed information to the staff. The comments will be distributed to the Board members. Other material presented to the Board, as part of testimony (e.g., photographs, slides, charts, maps, diagrams, etc.) will be made part of the record and must be left with the Executive Officer. Photographs or slides of large exhibits are acceptable. All Board files, exhibits, and agenda material pertaining to items on the agenda will be made part of the record.

DO NOT DISCUSS ENFORCEMENT CASES WITH BOARD MEMBERS AT ANY TIME, INCLUDING BEFORE, DURING, OR AFTER A BOARD OR COMMITTEE MEETING BY EITHER WRITTEN, ORAL, ELECTRONIC OR ANY OTHER MEANS OF COMMUNICATION.

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